

Groups VII-X, claims 11-13, drawn to therapeutic methods;

Groups XI-XII, claim 14, drawn to methods of modulating cellular activities.

For the purpose of examination of the present application, Applicants elect, with traverse, Group I, claims 1 and 2. Applicants traverse the requirement for restriction on the ground that all of the inventions claimed herein are inter-twined, such that their examination together would not be unduly burdensome.

Should there be any outstanding issues that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact Richard Gallagher (Reg. No. 28,781) at (703) 205-8008, in order to conduct an interview in an effort to expedite prosecution in connection with the present application.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,  
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